GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2506
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2008
AMENDMENT IN CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has approved the changes proposed in the Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill,2006 which include use of videoconferencing and camera recording during trials and steps to prevent witnesses from turning hostile as well as compensation for victims of crime;

(b) if so,the time by when this Bill is likely to be introduced in the Parliament;and

(c) the details of other changes incorporated in the proposed Bill?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRIMATI RADHIKA V. SELVI)

(a) to (c): Certain official amendments have been proposed in the Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill,2006,introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 23rd August,2006.The Bill,inter alia, contains provisions for video-conferencing of trials and other related matters.The Bill also contains provisions for protection of women,providing compensation to victims and certain measures for speedier justice.Notices for moving official amendments as well as for consideration and passing of the Bill have been issued to the Rajya Sabha Secretariat on 10.12.2008.